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1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 26 Fe	ebruary 2004.					
2a) This action is FINAL . 2b) ⊠ This						
3) Since this application is in condition for allowar	Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is					
closed in accordance with the practice under E	closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.					
Disposition of Claims						
4) ⊠ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are pending in the application 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdray 5) ⊠ Claim(s) 10-12 is/are allowed. 6) ⊠ Claim(s) 1-9 is/are rejected. 7) □ Claim(s) is/are objected to. 8) □ Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or	wn from consideration.					
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9) The specification is objected to by the Examine 10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) acc Applicant may not request that any objection to the Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correct 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Example 11.	epted or b) objected to by the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. Se tion is required if the drawing(s) is ob	e 37 CFR 1.85(a). jected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).				
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119						
12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) All b) Some * c) None of: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.						
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DETAILED ACTION

Double Patenting

1. The nonstatutory double patenting rejection is based on a judicially created doctrine grounded in public policy (a policy reflected in the statute) so as to prevent the unjustified or improper timewise extension of the "right to exclude" granted by a patent and to prevent possible harassment by multiple assignees. A nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection is appropriate where the conflicting claims are not identical, but at least one examined application claim is not patentably distinct from the reference claim(s) because the examined application claim is either anticipated by, or would have been obvious over, the reference claim(s). See, e.g., *In re Berg*, 140 F.3d 1428, 46 USPQ2d 1226 (Fed. Cir. 1998); *In re Goodman*, 11 F.3d 1046, 29 USPQ2d 2010 (Fed. Cir. 1993); *In re Longi*, 759 F.2d 887, 225 USPQ 645 (Fed. Cir. 1985); *In re Van Ornum*, 686 F.2d 937, 214 USPQ 761 (CCPA 1982); *In re Vogel*, 422 F.2d 438, 164 USPQ 619 (CCPA 1970); and *In re Thorington*, 418 F.2d 528, 163 USPQ 644 (CCPA 1969).

A timely filed terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) or 1.321(d) may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on a nonstatutory double patenting ground provided the conflicting application or patent either is shown to be commonly owned with this application, or claims an invention made as a result of activities undertaken within the scope of a joint research agreement.

Effective January 1, 1994, a registered attorney or agent of record may sign a terminal disclaimer. A terminal disclaimer signed by the assignee must fully comply with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

2. Claims 1-9 are rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 5, 6, 10 of U.S. Patent No. 6,721,296 and claims 1, 6, 8 of U.S. Patent No. 6,456,609. Although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because claims 1-9 of the instant application merely broadens the scope of the claims 1, 5, 6 of the U.S. Patent No. 6,721,296 and claims 1, 6, 8 of U.S. Patent No. 6,456,609 by eliminating the elements and their functions of claims 1-9 of the instant Application. The U.S. Patent No. 6,456,609 and the U.S. Patent No. 6,721,296 fail to disclose an antenna for receiving the radio frequency band signal transmitted from the base station, and for

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transmitting the modulated second signal to the base station. However; it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to receive the radio frequency band signal transmitted from the base station as recited in the U.S. Patent No. 6,456,609 and the U.S. Patent No. 6,721,296 for demodulating the radio frequency band signal. It has been held that the omission an element and its function is an obvious expedient if the remaining elements perform the same function as before. *In re Karlson*, 136 USPQ 184 (CCPA). Also note *Ex parte Rainu*, 168 USPQ 375 (Bd.App.1969); omission of a reference element whose function is not needed would be obvious to one skilled in the art.

This is a <u>provisional</u> obviousness-type double patenting rejection because the conflicting claims have not in fact been patented.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 10-12 are allowed.

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: none of the prior art of the record discloses or suggest that a mobile station for communicating with a base station comprising: a frequency correction circuit for controlling an oscillation frequency of the oscillator to correct frequency error based on a detected phase of the demodulated signal; and a phase correction circuit for correcting a phase of at least a part of the demodulated signals based on the detected phase of the demodulated signal.

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Conclusion

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Denheyer et al (U.S. Pat. 5,642,378) disclose a dual mode analog and digital cellular phone.

Kobayashi (U.S. Pat. 5,710,799) discloses a cross polarization interference caneller.

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to KHAI TRAN whose telephone number is (571) 272-3019. The examiner can normally be reached on 7:00AM - 4:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, JAY PATEL can be reached on (571) 272-2988. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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